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RE: Public Records Act Request; DOJ No. 2019-01853

Dear Taylor Amarel:

This letter further responds to your request dated August 1, 2019, which was received in the Attorney General's Office also on August 1, 2019, in which you sought records under the California Public Records Act, as set forth in Government Code section 6250 et seq.

Your request seeks in part the following: "All emails sent to, from, or copied to Kamala Harris, from January 1, 2014 to January 1, 2015 containing any of the following non-case-sensitive key-strings: "Healthcare."

Your request, while specific, has produced thousands of potentially responsive documents that contain the phrase "healthcare" or "health care." However, many of the documents that contain the phrase "healthcare" or "health care" use that phrase in an advertisement that appears in the body of the email.

Multiple documents that we have located in our search of responsive records are emails sent to a general list-serve or generic mailing list without any unique information or text directed to the Attorney General. One of these is from a website called Governing Daily, which sends free email newsletters that aggregate news articles concerning politics, policy and management in the United States. Embedded in many of those daily emails are boxes entitled "Advertisement" that advertise reports in other publications; those advertisement boxes contain the phrase "health care" and a link to an outside website. The phrase "health care" is not used anywhere else in the body of the document.

Other documents that we have located are regular emails from a continuing legal education company, Rossdale CLE, that advertises courses for continued legal training on a variety of topics. These emails regularly include the phrase "health care." These emails appear to be sent to a general list-serve.

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Finally, multiple documents that we have located are emails from Blue Shield of California Foundation, which provide updates and information on behalf of Blue Shield. These emails also appear to be sent to a general list-serve.

I have attached examples of all three types of documents that are listed above for your review. We presume that these types of email are not what you are interested in receiving. If that is the case, it would significantly reduce the time required to complete our review and forward the records you are interested in receiving. Please let me know if you agree that we should not include emails from Rossdale CLE, Governing Daily, and Blue Shield of California Foundation that appear to be sent to a general list-serve from any production of documents that we may provide.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Lara Haddad*

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